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SENATOR CARPENTER: Let's just presume that we pass this bill with the amendment. And the Governor vetoed it. What would be our position, insofar as the other people who are concerned here.. are affected.

SENATOR WARNER: You mean if he vetoed..well I assume they could line this out. And the rest of them would stand. Is that your question?

SENATOR CARPENTER: Yes, in other words it wouldn't affect the rest of them.

SENATOR WARNER: No, sir. I don't think so. In fact I think this has been done before.

SENATOR CARPENTER: What if he vetoes the whole thing?

SENATOR WARNER: Well then we.. then we would have to pass it over his veto.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now, Mr. President I have no objection to what the Senator is trying to do. I think any Governor of this state is worth his salt is worth \$50,000 a year. But this Governor doesn't want his salary raised. And only as one I don't propose to force on him in his own case that which he doesn't want. We sent last year a Senator over to see him. He says I don't want a salary, if you raise it I will veto the bill. Among other items, then he did that. And I would presume if he is consistent he will be, he will veto this. And I don't think we ought to force on him the thing for whatever the reason he sees fit, insists he doesn't want it. Unless you want to hold the bill up and go over and see how he feels about it. Well, I know Senator Stahmer

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PRESIDENT: Senator Whitney, do you care to respond?

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, I feel the Governor probably doesn't particularly care for an increase in salary, but I think if the Legislature increased it I think he would take it up to \$30,000 plus fringe benefits. And I think the thing to do is go ahead and pass this. Honor what Senator Stahmer wants to and he can deduct item by item. So he can subtract from this any amount he wants to for his own salary. If he wants to go down to \$5,000 a year he can. Or if wants to go down to \$30,000 he can.

SENATOR CARPENTER: What would this amendment make his salary?

SENATOR WHITNEY: All I know is what I heard Senator Stahmer say. It would be \$35,000 plus fringe benefits. Is that correct Senator Stahmer?

SENATOR STAHMER: Yes, that's correct.

SENATOR CARPENTER: What's the fringe benefits?